

Drainage Board met in the Commissioner's Room of the courthouse on April 21, 2014 at 10:17 a.m. with the following present: Mark Bacon, Ken Masters, Bruce W. Levi, members; Leigh Morning, Board attorney; Marvin L. Rees, Surveyor; Michele Gordon, secretary.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and signed by motion of Levi, with a 2nd by Masters.

MUTUAL DRAIN – 16th ST. EXTENSION – HEARING

Interested parties present can be found on a list in the file in the Surveyor's office. Mark Bacon called the hearing to order. The Surveyor gave his report which can be found in the file in his office. In his report he stated blockages had been removed from the old tile and a new tile was installed. He has already received a bill from the contractor who performed the work. Bacon asked if there were any comments or questions from those present. Kevin Mahan, who is not opposed to drainage, was concerned that he would be assessed for over half of the cost of this project. He stated this project would not have even occurred if the City was not constructing the 16th Street extension and therefore felt the City should be assessed more. The Surveyor stated it has always been the policy of the Board to assess according to the number of acres benefitted by a drain. Mr. Reddish stated his concerns about a drainage issue on his property and the Surveyor said he would go out and take a look at the problem. Homeowners from within Wilson Estates were present because they were concerned that the City street project would bring more water down through their subdivision which has a tendency to flood. The Surveyor stated the retention ponds proposed for the new street project should help (not prevent) future flooding. After much discussion a motion was made by Masters to pay the bill and assess the landowners according to their benefitted acres. He also stated that the City needs to be responsible for maintenance of the retention ponds once they are built. Levi then made a second to this motion and the motion passed.

WM CROSS WEST TILE

Don Wright came before the Board requesting to not pay the reconstruction assessment levied on his acres that are within this watershed. He stated that he and Bob Newhouse had talked with the Surveyor explaining their plans to install a private tile that would outlet into the Samuel Cohee Open Drain. They say a letter was given to the Surveyor but Rees says he has no letter in his file. Mr. Wright also did not attend the hearing concerning the reconstruction of this tile where it was determined that his acres would be included in the project. Morning explained to the Board that he would have to pay the assessment that is due in 2014 and they could then hold a hearing requesting the remainder of his assessment be divided among the other landowners in the watershed. A motion was made by Masters, with a 2nd by Levi, to deny Mr. Wright's request to not pay the reconstruction assessment. Motion carried. Mr. Wright was told he would need to provide a map of the private tile installed on his farm. Once that map is given to the Surveyor his acres would be removed from any further assessments on the Wm Cross West Tile and will then be assessed on the Samuel Cohee Open Drain.

RUSH COUNTY STORM DRAINAGE PLAN

A motion was made by Masters, with a 2nd by Levi, to approve a waiver, based on the Surveyor's recommendations, for the Rob Brown property. Motion carried.

PERRY DAVIS TILE

A motion was made by Levi, with a 2nd by Masters, to sign the certificate of reconstruction assessments. Motion carried.

HENRY SCHRADER TILE

Paul H Rohe Co has repaired the hole that developed after the reconstruction. The Surveyor is not sure what caused this hole.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion to adjourn was made by Masters, with a 2nd by Levi. Motion carried.

Mark Bacon

Ken Masters

Bruce W. Levi